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**KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT # 18
For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-17-12**

The **Inner Kitoi Bay, Outer Kitoi Bay**, and that **portion** of the **Izhut Bay Section south of a line from Haystack Rock** (at 58° 10.58' N lat., 152° 17.36' W long.) **to Pillar Cape** (at 58° 08.90' N lat., 152° 06.77' W long.), of the **Afognak District**, will close to commercial salmon fishing at **9:00 p.m. Saturday June 30** and remain closed until further notice.

The **Inner Ugak Bay Section** of the **Eastside Kodiak District** will be **extended** for **48-hours** from **9:00 p.m. Saturday June 30** until **9:00 p.m. Monday July 2**.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters are reduced until **9:00 p.m. Monday, July 2** at **Saltery Creek** (stream # 259-415) **Hearst Creek**, (stream # 259-414) and **Rough Creek** (stream # 259-416) in **Saltery Cove** to the stream terminus of each stream, for both subsistence and commercial salmon fishing.

As Previously Announced:

The following areas will remain open until further notice:

- The **Outer Karluk Section** of the **Southwest Kodiak District**;
- The **Central and North Cape sections** of the **Northwest Kodiak District**;
- The **Southwest Afognak, Southeast Afognak, and Duck Bay sections** of the **Afognak District**;
- That portion of the **Izhut Bay Section north of a line from Haystack Rock** (at 58° 10.58' N lat., 152° 17.36' W long.) **to Pillar Cape** (at 58° 08.90' N lat., 152° 06.77' W long.);

- The **Foul Bay Special Harvest Area**; and
- The **Waterfall Bay Special Harvest Area**.

In that **portion of the Northwest and Southwest Kodiak districts south of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk, Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear, until further notice** in the commercial fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

Cost recovery fisheries began in the Telrod Cove Special Harvest Area (SHA) on June 21, 2012; and the Telrod Cove SHA will remain closed to common property fishing. Fishery opportunities in Telrod Cove will be dependent on the ability to meet KRAA cost recovery needs.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters will be **reduced until further notice** in the following locations:

- In **Foul Bay** to the stream terminus at Hidden Lake Creek (stream #251-406);
- In **Waterfall Bay** to the stream terminus at Little Waterfall Creek (stream #251-822) and to the stream terminus at Big Waterfall Creek (stream #251-821);
- In **Afognak Bay** (for both commercial and subsistence salmon fishing) to the ADF&G markers located at the stream terminus of Afognak River (stream #252-342).

Other closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350).

Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.